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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, amend paragraph [0001] as:

[0001] The present invention relates to a switch assembly used for electronic appliances such as laptop computers. The assembly includes a push member on the lid and an activation member with a switch in the base so that when the lid is in [[close]] a closed position, the switch is activated by the activation member.

Page 1, amend paragraph [0002] as:

[0002] A conventional switch assembly for a laptop computer 1 is shown in Figures 1 and 1a, and generally includes a switch 13 disposed on a top surface of the base 12 of the computer and projects from the top surface of the base 12. The switch 13 is located in such a way that when the lid 11 is pivoted toward the base 12, the switch 13 is pressed by the lid 11 so as to activate a pre-determined function such as the standby status or energy saving [[mold]] mode. Nevertheless, due to the exposed position on the top surface of the base 12, the switch 13 tends to be worn out or dust can be accumulated in the gap of the switch 13. This usually leads to malfunctions.

Page 1, amend paragraph [0004] as:

[0004] In accordance with one aspect of the present invention, there is provided a switch assembly that comprises a push member connected to a lid of a computer and an activation member is disposed to a base of the computer. A switch is located in such a way that the activation member movably touches the switch when the activation member is moved by the push member.

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Page 3, amend paragraph [0017] as:

[0017] Referring to Figures 2, 2a and 2b, a switch assembly for an electronic appliance, such as a laptop computer 2, of the present invention comprises a push member 21 connected to a lid 24 of the laptop computer 2 which is connected to ~~[[a]]~~ an operation button 212 on the lid 24. A spring, which is not shown in the drawings, is biased between the operation button 212 and the push member 21 so as to maintain the position of the push member 21. A head piece 211 is connected to a distal end of the push member 21 and includes an inclined surface 2111.

Page 3, amend paragraph [0020] as:

[0020] As shown in Figures 3a, 3b and 3c, the push member 21 is shifted aside by pushing and holding the operation button 212 before the lid 24 is to be ~~[[close]]~~ closed by pivoting the lid 24 toward the base 25. The push member 21 is then inserted through a hole 251 in the base 25 and when the operation button 212 is released, the push member 21 is moved toward the inclined portion 221 of the activation member 22. The inclined surface 2111 pushes the inclined portion 221 of the activation member 22 to press the switch 23.

Pages 3-4, amend paragraph [0021] as:

[0021] As shown in Figure 4, there may have two sets of activation ~~members~~ member 22 and ~~switches~~ switch 23 in the base 25, and the push member 21 has two inclined surfaces 2111 in the head piece 211 so as to optionally activate either one of the two

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switches 23. As shown in Figure 5, the two activation members ~~member~~ 22 as shown in Figure 4 can also be made to be a one-piece member.